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By the way, The Union had your email wrong. It left out the "."

Marijuana Dispensary in Nevada City.....No No No

The community has been very supportive of medical pot (sans high) for citizens with legitimate doctor's prescriptions. Appropriately, this type of pot should be sold via pharmacies. As to dispensaries for marijuana in general, who got the idea that we want such a store in Nevada City. It is not just a matter of what the residents of our tiny town desire. Decisions for Nevada City affect all those in the county who frequent our town. Their opinions are just as important and need to be tapped before some rash decision is made that we can never take back.

Legal or not, we definitely do not want to permit smoking pot in public. We don't allow smoking cigarettes downtown and that smoke, though damaging to the lungs of everyone who walks by, does not get you high. We certainly do not want smoke from pot in the air we breathe, getting us high unvoluntarily, let alone making our children high. There is already justified concern as evidenced in states where pot was previously legalized that children of any age who use pot, or get high from someone else's use, are hampered in school. Not to mention increased traffic accidents. We have more than enough of those already. People say it is no worse than alcohol, but we don't want drunks in our town or driving on our roads. The accidents on highway 49 are bad enough without adding another contributor.

In addition, we will draw the wrong kind of tourism. The entire nature of our historic town will change. Yes it will bring money to town, but not the kind of money we need or want. If people want to get high, let them do it at home, INSIDE, or in some other town. Let them buy it elsewhere. We do not want a congregation of potheads. We already have a serious problem with illegal drug sales and stoned individuals ruining our parks to the extent that families do not want to bring their children to play there. No more. We have had enough.

No pot dispensaries in Nevada City!

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Nevada City Residents